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1. Production of the Skoda-Tudor passenger automobile is to be discontinued and the Skoda-Tudor will be replaced by a new model, the Skoda-1200, which is somewhat more powerful and has a roomier body.
2. Production of Tatra-Plan automobiles will also be discontinued, and the Tatra-Plan will be replaced by an entirely new model.

Comment: Output of the six or seven Czech automobile factories has gradually been narrowed down to only three types. Of these remaining three types, only the Skoda-Tudor has a chassis which is at all suitable for police and army use, and it has been considered to be under-powered and underweight for such use. Since exports and sales to private citizens are now negligible, the change to the heavier Skoda-1200 seems to indicate that military considerations were decisive. The Tatra-Plan, a light car, is still less suitable for military purposes.

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